50 Stat. 856. Rights reserved.

Easements for rights-of-way for public roads, Federal lands.

Provisos.

Forfeiture for violation of terms.

Authority not to extend to lands under Tennessee Valley Authority.

Rivers and harbors. Compilation of laws relating to improvement, printing authorized.

Nicaragua Canal, gathering of hydrological data authorized. North Slough Drainage District, and the North Slough Diking District by an Act of Congress approved August 26, 1937, is extended one and three years, respectively, from August 26, 1938. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this section is hereby expressly reserved.

Sec. 10. That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, under such terms and conditions as are deemed advisable by him, to grant easements for rights-of-way for public roads and streets on and across lands acquired by the United States for river and harbor and flood control improvements including, whenever necessary, the privilege of occupying so much of said lands as may be necessary for the piers, abutments, and other portions of a bridge structure: Provided, That such rights-of-way shall be granted only upon a finding by the Secretary of War that the same will be in the public interest and will not substantially injure the interest of the United States in the property affected thereby: Provided further, That all or any part of such rights-of-way may be annulled and forfeited by the Secretary of War for failure to comply with the terms or conditions of any grant hereunder or for nonuse or for abandonment of rights granted under the authority hereof: Provided further, That the authority hereby granted to the Secretary of War shall not extend to or include lands held or acquired by the Tennessee Valley Authority pursuant to the terms of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act.

Sec. 11. That the laws of the United States relating to the improvement of rivers and harbors, passed between March 4, 1913, until and including the laws of the third session of the Seventy-fifth Congress, shall be compiled under the direction of the Secretary of War and printed as a document, and that six hundred additional

copies shall be printed for the use of the War Department.

Sec. 12. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to continue the gathering of hydrological data, concerning the proposed Nicaragua Canal, by personnel operating continuously in Nicaragua under the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, as recommended in House Document Numbered 139, 72nd Congress, 1st Session; the cost of this work, and such incidental expenses as may be necessary in connection therewith, to be paid from appropriations hereafter made for examinations, surveys and contingencies of Rivers and Harbors.

Approved, June 20, 1938.

[CHAPTER 536]

AN ACT

To create the office of the Librarian Emeritus of the Library of Congress.

Librarian Emeritus, Library of Congress; position created.

June 20, 1938 [H. R. 10846]

[Public, No. 686]

Salary.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon separation from the service, by resignation or otherwise, on or after July 1, after the approval of this Act, Herbert Putnam, the present Librarian of Congress, who has served in that office for thirty-nine years, shall become Librarian Emeritus, with such duties as the President of the United States may prescribe, and the President of the United States shall thereupon appoint his successor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The said Herbert Putnam shall receive as Librarian Emeritus compensation at the rate of \$5,000 per annum. Such salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments by the disbursing officer of the Library of Congress, and such sums as may be necessary to make such payments are hereby authorized to be appropriated.

Approved, June 20, 1938.